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Hongkong, 15th July, 1908.

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Hongkong, 21st March, 1909.

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Hongkong, 12th January, 1907.

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Hongkong, 3rd March, 1909.

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Hongkong, 2nd July, 1909.

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KUDAT and SANDAKAN	"BORNEO" Capt. F. Sembill	SATURDAY, 3rd April, 9 A.M.
NAPLES, GENOA, ALGIERS, GIBRALTAR, SOUTHAMPTON, ANTWERP and BREMEN	"PRINZ LUDWIG" Capt. F. v. Blosse	WEDNESDAY, 7th April, Noon.
SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA	"BULOW" Capt. H. Formes	About WEDNESDAY, 7th April.
MANILA, YAP, NEWGUINEA, BRISBANE, SYDNEY and MELBOURNE	"PRINZ SIGISMUND" Capt. D. Lent	FRIDAY, 3rd April, 11 A.M.

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GENERAL AGENTS, HONGKONG & CHINA.

Hongkong, 30th March, 1909.

MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

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For	STEAMERS	CAPTAINS	TO SAIL ON
SHANGHAI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA	TOKIN	Charbonnel	12th April, P.M.
MARSEILLES, VIA PORTS	CALEDONNIEN	Briou	13th April, at 1 P.M.
SHANGHAI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA	OCCEANIC	Magnon	16th April, P.M.
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Hongkong, 9th October, 1908.

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The cost of Docking, and repair work, will be found to compare favourably with that of any port in the world.

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9.30 a.m.	11.00 a.m.	Every 15 minutes
11.30 a.m.	12.45 p.m.	Every 15 minutes
12.45 p.m.	1.15 p.m.	Every 10 minutes
1.15 p.m.	1.45 p.m.	Every 15 minutes
1.45 p.m.	2.15 p.m.	Every 10 minutes
2.15 p.m.	3.00 p.m.	Every 15 minutes
3.30 p.m.	5.00 p.m.	Every 15 minutes
5.00 p.m.	8.00 p.m.	Every 10 minutes

NIGHT CARS. 8.45 p.m. and 9 p.m. 9.45 p.m. to 11.15 p.m. every half hour.

SUNDAYS.

8.00 a.m. to 9.00 a.m.	Every 15 minutes.
9.00 a.m. to 9.30 a.m.	Every 30 minutes.
9.30 a.m. to 10.30 a.m.	Every 15 minutes.
10.30 a.m. to 11.00 a.m.	Every 10 minutes.
11.00 a.m. to 12.00 noon.	Every 15 minutes.
12.00 Noon to 1.00 p.m.	Every 10 minutes.
1.00 p.m. to 5.00 p.m.	Every 15 minutes.
5.00 p.m. to 6.00 p.m.	Every 10 minutes.
6.00 p.m. to 7.00 p.m.	Every 15 minutes.
7.00 p.m. to 8.00 p.m.	Every 10 minutes.

NIGHT CARS as on Week Days.

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SPECIAL CARS by Arrangement at the Company's Office, ALEXANDER BUILDING, Des Vaux Road Central.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON, General Managers.

Hongkong, 4th June, 1909.

SINGAPORE'S COAL TRADE.

The year which has just closed will be remembered in Singapore and the adjacent settlements as an era of almost unparalleled slackness in trade, and prospects certainly do not seem to be any brighter than they were a year ago. But although the imports of coal into the port of Singapore will show about 15,500 tons increase over 1907, it is certain the figures will not nearly reach those of 1906. This latter year, however, was almost a record in the coal trade, so that if last year's figures compare favourably with those of the year previous, it may be taken that the imports are not on the wane.

Fears are entertained that Singapore is losing her coaling trade in common with her other general trans-shipment trade, and that it is all going to the Dutch port of Sabang, where prices are better, and where shipmasters are treated with greater consideration by the wharf owners. But the tendency here is not towards a decrease, and it is safe to say that the much talked-about port of Sabang will have to claim a great deal more of our ships for coaling before she will seriously affect Singapore as one of the largest coaling stations in the Far East.

Although the actual figures are not yet made public, the approximate totals show that there has been a marked falling-off in the imports of Bengal coal—no less than 115,000 tons, as compared with the previous year, and the remarkable, almost alarming, decrease of 224,000 tons when set against the figures for 1905. Several reasons are assigned for this heavy decrease, but the fact that the Indian railways are now utilising the Bengal product probably has a considerable influence in the matter. In 1906, 264,000 tons of Indian coal arrived at Singapore from Calcutta, while in 1907 155,000 tons were received. But for 1908 the total does not exceed 40,000 tons.

Australian and Japanese coals have been imported to a considerable extent. Various reports are spread that the Japanese coal we get here does not compare favourably with the Australian product, but if the imports can be taken as a criterion, Japanese coal is the more favoured of the two. Japan, indeed, has taken a remarkable lead during the year. Nearly 290,000 tons of her coal were imported, which represents an increase over 1907 of roughly 50,000 tons, a fact which augurs well for the present year. A few years ago Japanese coal was not imported to any great extent—last year's figures are no less than 200,000 tons above the imports of 1906—but it now bids fair to corner the market.

On the other hand, imports of Australian coal were considerably less than in 1906, although last year's imports more than doubled those of 1907. The figures are:—In 1905, 116,000 tons; in 1907, 85,000 tons; and in 1908, 185,000 tons.

The amount of Cardiff coal imported was less than half that imported in the previous year, being 36,000 tons, compared with 77,000 in 1907, and 85,000 in the year 1906.

Intimations.

GREEN ISLAND CEMENT COMPANY, LIMITED.

PORTLAND CEMENT.

In Casks of 375 lbs. net \$5.50 per Cask ex Factory.

In Bags of 50 lbs. net \$8.45 per Bag ex Factory.

SHEWAN TOMES & Co. General Managers.

Hongkong, 16th August, 1908.



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By Order,

THE MANAGER.

Hongkong Telegraph Co., Ltd.

Hongkong, 22nd December, 1908.

WEATHER-FORECAST AND STORM-WARNINGS ISSUED FROM THE HONGKONG OBSERVATORY.

METEOROLOGICAL SIGNALS.

Meteorological signals are hoisted at the mast in front of the Water Police Station at Tsim Sha Tsui for the information of masters of vessels leaving the port. They do not necessarily imply that bad weather is expected here:—

1. A CONE point upwards indicates a Typhoon to the North of the Colony.
2. A CONE point upwards and DRUM below indicates a Typhoon to the North-East of the Colony.
3. A DRUM indicates a Typhoon to the East of the Colony.
4. A CONE point downwards and DRUM below indicates a Typhoon to the South-East of the Colony.
5. A CONE point downwards indicates a Typhoon to the South of the Colony.
6. A CONE point downwards and BALL below indicates a Typhoon to the South-West of the Colony.
7. A BALL indicates a Typhoon to the West of the Colony.
8. A CONE point upwards and BALL below indicates a Typhoon to the North-West of the Colony.

Red Signals indicate that the centre is believed to be more than 300 miles away from the Colony.

Black Signal, indicate that the centre is believed to be less than 300 miles away from the Colony.

The above signals will, as heretofore, be hoisted only when typhoons exist in such positions or are moving in such directions that information regarding them is considered to be of importance to the Colony or to shipping leaving the harbour.

These signals are repeated at the Harbour Office, H.M.S. Tamar, Green Island Signal Mast, and the Flagstaff on the premises of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company at Kowloon.

URGENT SIGNAL.

In addition to the above, when it is expected that the wind may increase to full typhoon force at any moment, the following Urgent Signal will be made at the Water Police Station, and repeated at the Harbour Office:—

THREE EXPLOSIVE BOMBS, AT INTERVALS OF TEN SECONDS.

A Black Cross will be hoisted at the same time, superior to the other shapes.

NIGHT SIGNALS.

The following Night Signals will be exhibited from the Flagstaff on the roof of the Water Police Station at Kowloon, the Harbour Office Flagstaff, and H.M.S. Tamar.

1. Three Lights Vertical, Green Green Green, indicates that a typhoon is believed to be situated more than 300 miles from the Colony.

2. Three Lights Vertical, Green Red Green, indicates that a typhoon is believed to be situated less than 300 miles from the Colony.

3. Three Lights Vertical, Red Green Red, indicates that the wind may be expected to increase to full typhoon force at any moment.

No. III Signal will be accompanied by the Explosive Bombs, as above, in the event of the information conveyed by this signal being first published by night.

These Night Signals will be substituted the Day Signals at sunset, and will, when necessary, be altered during the night.

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THE MANAGER.

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MARRIAGES.

On March 14, 1909, at Kowloon, to the Rev. and Mrs. Charles S. Keco, a son, (MAURICE FISCHER).

On March 21, 1909, at Shanghai, to Mr. and Mrs. THOS. W. FOLL, a daughter.

On March 24, 1909, the wife of A. L. BECHYNDEN, of a son.

DEATHS.

Feb. 20, LILLIAN CRAWFORD, of North Finchley, widow of late D. R. F. Crawford, of Hongkong, aged 68.

On March 23, 1909, at Shanghai, FREDERIC CHARTON JONES, aged 50 years.

The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, TUESDAY, MARCH 30, 1909.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

AMONG recently elected members of the Royal Society of Arts are Percy Birkett, A.M.I.Mech.E., Explosives Factory, Hirasaka; and Thomas Kershaw, M.I.Mech.E., of Kobe, Japan.

We are informed by the Colonial Secretary that regulations under the Venice Sanitary Convention have been imposed on all arrivals from Hongkong at ports of the Madras Presidency.

A GROUP of Harbin citizens has submitted a novel petition to the Chinese Eastern Railway Co., viz., for the abolition of Harbin municipal autonomy, on the ground that since its institution, taxation has enormously increased, and that the municipal authorities, in the imposition of taxes, disregard the taxable capacity of the people and the contemporary state of trade.

THE POST OFFICE PROSECUTION.

FURTHER EVIDENCE TAKEN.

At the Police Court, this afternoon, the hearing was resumed of the case in which William Nuttall, a 19-year-old youth, is charged with the alleged removing of postage stamps from a number of parcels. Mr. F. B. L. Bowley, Crown Solicitor, prosecuted, while Mr. P. W. Goldring (of Messrs. Goldring, Barlow and Morrell) represented the defence.

Mr. Bowley said that Mr. Martin, Superintendent of Registration, wished to correct his last evidence. Mr. Martin, on going into the witness-box, stated that with regard to parcel 76, the deficiency was fifty cents; 77, fifty cents; 86, sixty cents and 96, sixty cents. The total was therefore 220 cents, and not 260, as was stated on the last occasion.

Mr. Goldring—Up to the second hearing of the case, nothing had been heard of parcels 76, 77, 86 and 96. What is the deficiency on Nos. 105, 107, 108 and 109?

Mr. Martin—I don't know.

You did not mention the other parcels on the last hearing?—No.

You can't say the deficiency on 105, 107, 108 and 109?—Not definitely.

Defendant lives with his parents?—Yes.

You know his father well?—Very well, indeed.

As a matter of fact, it was partly on his recommendation that you kept him?—Yes.

Mr. C. McI. Messer, Postmaster-General, stated that on the 19th inst. he went to the Registration Office at about 3 p.m. Mr. Martin was away at the time. On going on his usual way round the premises, he noticed Mr. Britto opening a London parcel box with a Chinese coolie.

After the parcels are mailed and packed, they are usually placed in the Registration Office. He noticed one parcel in the London box which bore no stamps. Witness ordered the rest of the parcels to be taken from the box, when three other parcels were found to be deficient in stamps. They all showed stamp signs. He consulted the receipt book and found that defendant had entered the parcels. He summoned defendant to his presence and informed him that the deficiency was to be made up.

Detective-Sergeant Watt stated that he arrested defendant on the 19th inst. He met defendant opposite his house, No. 9, St. Francis Street, and informed him that he was going to arrest him on suspicion of having removed postage stamps from parcels, at the same time administering the usual caution. They then proceeded to No. 9, where they found defendant's mother. Witness searched defendant and found some stamps on his person. He was told by defendant that the latter did not remove the postage stamps but had merely picked them up from the floor of the Post Office, and that he could explain that to Mr. Messer. Witness also searched defendant's chest of drawers but found no loose stamps.

Mr. Goldring submitted that the prosecution had failed to make out any case by which defendant could be found guilty of the offence with which he was charged. The evidence was very inconsistent and bore out what was admitted by the defence—extreme carelessness on defendant's part. It would be the last thing that defendant was likely to do if he had removed any stamps at all—to have removed them from his own parcels, and said that the prosecution had not disclosed sufficient evidence to convict defendant.

Defendant was allowed to go into the witness-box, where he was cross-examined at great length.

Sergeant Watt was recalled and spoke to having found some money on defendant's person.

The case was adjourned to Thursday, at 2.15 p.m., in order to take the evidence of defendant's father.

PARI-MUTUEL IN JAPAN.

HORSE RACE BILL PASSED BY REPRESENTATIVES.

On the 20th instant the House of Representatives passed the Horse Race Bill, which proposes to allow the issue of pari-mutuel tickets under certain conditions. The measure was introduced by those members of the House interested in the racing clubs, with the support of the Constitutionalists.

The Chairman of the Committee on the Bill reported that it had been adopted. The Government delegate announced that the Government was altogether opposed to the measure. Mr. Tomijima, a Yushinkai member, said it was absolutely wrong to allow gambling by a special Horse Race Law when it was prohibited by the Criminal Code. Mr. Seki, a Progressist who is the president of a horse race club, supported the Bill, and the debate was then closed, the Bill being carried to a second reading.

Mr. Matsuda, a Yushinkai member, then moved that the latter clause Article III. of the bill, which precludes the application of the Criminal Code to the pari-mutuel at horse races, be struck out. A vote was taken by signed ballots on Mr. Matsuda's motion, which was lost, and the Bill was carried to the third reading and finally passed.

Mr. Muto Kinkichi, a Constitutionalist, remarked that when the Bill had been put to the vote on the second reading, Mr. Sakamoto Yachiro moved that the vote be taken by signed ballot in order to make it clear "whether the members of the House would vote with the men or with the horses." Such a motion was an insult to the House. Mr. Muto moved that Mr. Sakamoto be submitted to the disciplinary committee.

Mr. Ooka, a Constitutionalist leader, moved that the debate on the motion be postponed, and the House assented.—*Japan Chronicle.*

CAMBRIDGE has decided to confer the degree of Doctor of Science, *honoris causa*, upon Sven Hedin, Ph.D., whilst Oxford proposes the honorary degree of D. Litt. for Dr. Mark Aurel Stein, Inspector-General of Education in the North-West Frontier Province of India and in Baluchistan.

CANTON DAY BY DAY.

CANTON-HANKOW RAILWAY.

[From Our Own Correspondent.]

As the outcome of the numerous complaints from the shareholders, Kam-Yin, a member of the Board of Directors of the Canton-Hankow Railway Company, has now found it inexpedient for him to remain on the Directorate any longer. He has therefore tendered his resignation from the post.

In reply to the telegraphic despatch of the Canton Railway Shareholders' Union, H.E. Chang Chih Tung, superintendent of the Canton-Hankow Railway, has wired to Canton to the effect that the collection of the 2nd call on shares by the various institutions for the Canton-Hankow Railway Company be not stopped until the examination of the accounts of the company by shareholders has been finished. On receipt of the above telegram, the different charitable institutions are now continuing to receive payments of the 2nd call on shares for the company.

DELIMITATION OF MACAO.

Yesterday, at the mass meeting held at Ming Lun Tong in connection with the question of the delimitation of Macao, it was decided by the majority of those present that a separate society should be formed, with its office in a certain building opposite the Viceroy's yamen, to conduct negotiations regarding same in co-operation with the Special Envoy, H. E. Ko Yu-Kim. A committee was therefore elected and charged with the responsibility of the formation of the society. Another meeting has again been arranged to take place on the 1st April next for the same purpose.

DISASTROUS FIRE.

On the 25th instant, at about 8 p.m., a fire broke out at Wai Qi Street through the indiscriminate firing of crackers, as a result of which one building was burnt down.

About the same time another outbreak of fire took place in a shop at Ching Hoi Moon through the careless use of kerosene oil.

In the shop, where the fire originated, there was a large quantity of combustible material. In a short space of time the fire spread over a large area. Black columns of smoke and bright tongues of flames were seen shooting up to the sky. The different fire brigades lost no time in proceeding to the scene of the outbreak. The members of the Red Cross Society were also present on the spot to render assistance. They have now under their care half-a-dozen persons who sustained serious injuries as a result of the outbreak.

OFFICIAL AMENITIES.

At 11 o'clock this morning H.E. Viceroy Chang Jen Chun received the American Consul-General at Canton.

A FOREIGNER'S ANTICS.

On the evening of the 24th instant, a certain foreigner created a disturbance while under the influence of liquor in Yuen Cheung Street close to the Steam Ferry wharf of the Canton-Hankow Railway. The police quickly appeared on the scene and removed the disorderly one to Shamoon.

SLAUGHTER HOUSE FOR SHAU-KI-WAN.

ESTIMATE OF COST.

The following reply from Government was received by the Sanitary Board relative to the question of a slaughter house for Chau-ki-wan and laid on the table at the fortnightly meeting of the Board this afternoon:—

Colonial Secretary's Office, 15th March, 1909.

Sir,—Referring to your letter No. 844 of the 9th instant, I am directed to state that an estimate of the cost of a slaughter house at Chau-ki-wan has been called for with a view to the further consideration of the project in connection with the Estimates for 1910.

I am, etc., F. H. MAY, Colonial Secretary.

The Secretary, Sanitary Board.

THE Peking and Tientsin Times states that Admiral Truppel, civil and military Governor of Kiaochow, will go on home leave about the beginning of April. He will be absent six months, and during the interim Captain Meyer-Waldeck will be acting Governor.

RETURN of visitors to the City Hall Library and Museum for the week ending the 28th March, 1909:—

	Library.	Museum.
Non-Chinese.....	410	284
Chinese.....	354	3,277
Total.....	683	3,561

It has been discovered by the Minister of Civil Office in Peking that there are some 80,000 dismissed or degraded officials who are entitled to re-instatement by special grace on the occasion of the new reign, and these officials are availing themselves of the opportunity to pour in their applications to be restored to their ranks.

Mr. Arnold, of the Pathé Photo-Cinema China, proceeded against one Casley, of the Star Cinematograph, in the Police Court to-day for copying the trademark of the well-known "Cock" brand and applying the same to defraud the public. The defendant was fined \$50 and ordered to pay \$50 costs. The films were ordered to be forfeited and to be returned to the owner in seven days.

A LUNCH was given by the Comité de l'Asie Française in honour of M. Bapin, French Minister at Peking, who has just returned to Paris, as well as to Captain d'Ollone and Lieutenant Fleurelle, of the d'Ollone's Mission, and others. M. Senat presided, and amongst those present were M. Milnes-Lacroix, M. Kurino, Ambassador of Japan, and the Siamese Minister. The health of the guests was drunk after lunch.

NORDBEUISCHER LLOYD.

DEATH OF DIRECTOR-GENERAL.

We are courteously informed by Messrs. Melchers & Co., the local agents, that they have received a telegram from Bremen, stating that the Director-General of the Norddeutscher Lloyd, Dr. Heinrich Wiegand, died yesterday afternoon at Homburg near der Hoche near Wiesbaden.

Dr. Heinrich Wiegand was born at Bremen on the 17th of August, 1855, and received his intellectual training first at the town grammar-school and later on at the Gymnasium at Bremen, where he passed his departing examination in autumn 1874. At the Universities of Erlangen, Bonn, Berlin and Strassburg Wiegand was studying the law from 1874 until 1877, and passed the preliminary examination 1878 at Göttingen, where he then joined the Government service, his intention being to later on join the Imperial Railway Service. However, private matters made it necessary for him to return to Bremen in 1879. During the same year Wiegand passed the final examination and became a Doctor-Juris, after which he settled down in Bremen as a lawyer. As he mainly had in view matters concerning the commercial and maritime laws, consequently in the course of time he became more and more the adviser to the big shipping institutions. On the 15th of February, 1889, Wiegand joined the Norddeutscher Lloyd as a Counsellor. After the death of Director Lohmann in 1893 Dr. Wiegand was asked to accept the position of Director-General of the Norddeutscher Lloyd.

JAPANESE SHIPPING COMPANIES.

THE TOYO KISEN KAISHA REPORTED HEAVY LOSS.

According to Japanese papers, says the *Japan Chronicle*, the Toyo Kisen Kaisha has lost ¥800,000 on its working for the last half-year, and no dividend will be paid either on ordinary or preference shares. The accounts are to be laid before a general meeting on the 30th instant. According to the explanations given by the directors, the loss is due mainly to the serious depression in the carrying trade. In addition the company had to pay no small amount in fees and interest on a loan of ¥4,000,000 raised during the period. The action of the company in disclosing the loss in the accounts for the period and in refraining from distributing a dividend, is commendable, both for the sake of the company and the shareholders. By this action the company will be able to balance the loss brought over and will be placed on a steadier foundation. It is believed the loss will be entirely made good if the distribution of a dividend is dispensed with for the next twelve months—that is, for two periods.

In the opinion of independent observers, says the *Hoch*, the company has been losing for a long time. The cause of the loss is ascribed to various factors. From the first the company committed a blunder in its scheme for building ships, and locked up an immense amount of capital. The company has also lost heavily by the failure of its South American service, and the losses resulting from these factors have been aggravated by the depression in the shipping trade. Sympathy is felt for the board of directors, who laboured strenuously and managed to struggle along, but none the less such a policy cannot be sanctioned. The company has lost on its working for several periods preceding, yet it continued to distribute dividends by drawing on the reserve. Last year the company refrained from distributing a dividend on the old shares and issued preferential shares, increasing the capital. Now a loss has been disclosed of ¥800,000. If the loss has been gradually accumulating, continues the *Hoch*, then the board of directors was not frank with the public when the preferential shares were issued. There may be some reasons which have induced the company now to disclose the loss, but the shareholders, taken by surprise at the disclosure, may feel suspicious, and it is expected that a great deal of discussion will arise at the coming general meeting of shareholders.

THE NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

The *Hoch* remarks that the result of the working of the Nippon Yusen Kaisha for the present half-year, ending the 31st instant, cannot be known with precision before the reports have been received from the branches. The depression in the carrying trade reached a climax last year, freight declining day by day. The profit of the American line of the Company has fallen off by 30 to 35 per cent. from that of a normal year, and the China and European lines have also suffered to some extent. It is expected that the net profit for the present half-year will show a serious decrease, and the rate of dividend may not exceed 8 per cent. instead of 12 per cent. as usual.

THE WEATHER.

The following report is from Mr. F. G. Figg, Director of the Hongkong Observatory:—

On the 30th at 11.55 a.m.—The depression, lying to the South of Japan yesterday, is moving away over the Pacific between the S.E. coast and the Bopics.

Pressure has increased in N.E. Japan, and given way over China, particularly on the N.E. coast. It is highest over the Lower Yangtze Valley.

Fresh to moderate N.E. and E. winds may be expected in the Formosa Channel, and the N. part of the China Sea.

Hongkong Rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.00 inches.

FORECAST.

1.—Hongkong and Neighbourhood, N.E. and E. winds, fresh to moderate, fair, cloudy.

2.—Formosa Channel, same as No. 1.

3.—South coast of China between Hongkong and Loochoo, same as No. 1.

4.—South coast of China between Hongkong and Taiwan, same as No. 1.

DISEASE AMONG CATTLE.

KENNEDY TOWN INFECTED.

The following letter was received from Mr. Adam Gibson, Colonial Veterinary Surgeon, and considered at the meeting of the Sanitary Board held this afternoon:—

Sir,—I have the honour to report for the information of the Board that a case of anthrax occurred at Kennedy Town last night.

The bullock was admitted yesterday morning to the Depot and was put apart in the segregation shed under suspicion. It was found dead this morning.

The animal came with 15 others from Pak-hoi and these have also been placed under observation, but show no signs of illness.—I have, etc.,

ADAM GIBSON, Colonial Veterinary Surgeon.

The Secretary, Sanitary Board.

THE SOUTH MANCHURIAN RAILWAY.

DEVELOPMENT OF THE LEASED TERRITORY.

At a meeting of the Committee on the proposed Bill relating to the reorganisation of currency circulation in the leased territory in Manchuria, held on the afternoon of the 15th instant in the Diet building, Mr. Shirai, President of the Civil Administrative Office, and Mr. Ishii, Vice-Minister of Foreign Affairs, made some observations on the South Manchurian Railway and the development of the leased territory.

"It is impossible," said Mr. Shirai, "for us to announce the great object we have in view in our Manchurian undertaking, but the principle on which the Kwantung Government works is to develop and complete the South Manchurian Railway, so that the leased territory may flourish and prosper. Regarding undertakings on the leased territory, there are a number to be carried out, such as harbour improvement, completion of equipments for cities, and the establishment of schools. The protection of life and property has been secured as far as possible through the organisation of guards, both garrison and police. Unfortunately, the leased territory from Changchung to Port Arthur is such a narrow strip of land that it can be crossed in a step, as it were, and owing to this circumstance we have experienced considerable difficulty in carrying out our operations promptly and effectively. The problem of protecting railway travellers from the depredations of train robbers, to which the Kwantung Government has always paid much attention, is now under close consideration by us, and the question now resolves itself into a need for better obviating discomfort to the passengers and for guarding them more efficiently. As one means to attain this object we placed a guard in the last car of each train, but in the result this was not found very satisfactory as there were no facilities for extending assistance from one car to another, so that the guard was powerless when danger did arrive.

"Regarding the resources of Manchuria, we have begun an investigation into the prospects for mining which we hope to complete this year, but it must not be forgotten that our sphere of action is limited to Fuchow and Antung, in the neutral territory, beyond which we do not expect to pursue our investigations. It has come to our notice that a promising mine has been discovered near the railroad of the South Manchurian line, and one of the officials of the railway has already made some investigations.

"The area of the leased territory does not exceed 70,000 cho at the outside, while the number of inhabitants is nearly 400,000. Emigrants are for the most part restricted to the agricultural and industrial class.

Following on this speech, Mr. Ishii rose and made a few remarks about the questions of the parallel line and equal opportunity in Manchuria.

"Our final aim," he said, "being to derive the greatest profit from our Manchurian undertaking, we must take a firm stand against any attempt to invade our interest and must defend the right secured by the Peking Treaty. The words 'open door' and 'equal opportunity' arise from the necessity of opposing the idea conveyed by the phrase 'sphere of influence' and their observance is essential for the development of commerce and industry in Manchuria."

NOISE IN THE LOOIRS.

SIX POLICEMEN GET SEVEN DAYS.

Crowds of Chinese and other natives who have nothing to do hang about the Police Courts every day and make a good deal of noise with their chatterings. The Magistrates are very patient, but their tempers have been sorely tried of late. The *Singapore Free Press* of 23rd inst. says:—In this respect the Court downstairs is the worst, and Mr. Howard and Mr. de Mello and the members of the bar have had to complain frequently of late. The Court peons and the native police in Court are too lazy to keep any order. Punishing the peons and the native police on duty in Court would soon put a stop to the annoyance.

In the District Court, yesterday, the usher had to keep order himself. He had two Sikhs arrested for fighting in the entrance hall. These two men were placed in the dock before Mr. Howard on a charge of disorderly conduct in a public place.

A Kling policeman said he saw them pushing each other and kicking a row.

It appeared that the men had been quarrelling about ball. One of them, a P.C., was charged with making a false statement. The other man had pulled him out and wished to withdraw the ball. Hence the noise.

His honour sentenced the P.C. to seven days' imprisonment and discharged the other man. The P.C. wept. He had just been fined \$4 for refusing to pay (tam hie).

SANITARY BOARD SECRETARYSHIP.

MR. WOODCOCK'S RETIREMENT.

The following reply from Government was received in connection with the secretaryship and principal clerkship of the Sanitary Department and laid on the table at the meeting of the Sanitary Board this afternoon:—

Colonial Secretary's Office, 24th March, 1909.

Sir,—I am directed to inform you that, in view of the present constitution of the Sanitary Department, it is considered that the duties of the Secretary to the Sanitary Board are no longer so responsible or arduous as they were when there was no separate Head of the Department.

2. An opportunity offers to transfer Mr. G. A. Woodcock, the present Secretary, elsewhere, and it is accordingly proposed to reduce the salary attached to the appointment from its present figure to a rate of £300, raising by triangular increments of £50 to £400 per annum.

3. The post will be offered, subject to the approval of the Secretary of State for the Colonies, to Mr. C. F. W. Bowen-Rowlands.

4. It is further proposed to abolish the post of Principal Clerk, as it is not considered that such an officer is necessary when the Head of the Department devotes the whole of his time to the Department.

5. I am to request you to lay this letter before the Board.

I am, etc., F. H. MAY, Colonial Secretary.

The Head, Sanitary Department.

MR. LAU CHU PAK MINUTES.—Even if members wish to retain Mr. Woodcock's services, I do not suppose it can be done. All who know him, I am sure, sincerely regret that he is to be taken away from the Sanitary Board. Ever since he was appointed Secretary, as the oldest unofficial member, I can say without hesitation that Mr. Woodcock had invariably discharged his onerous duties most assiduously and conscientiously. My colleagues on the Sanitary Commission will no doubt concur with me in saying this. In all matters connected with the previous Board, he had always been polite and considerate, not only to members and European inquirers for information, who came to the office, but also to the lowest Chinese coolies to whom, when applied to, he always took the trouble to explain fully in Chinese what the law actually required. I am very sorry that his much-appreciated services are no longer available to the present Board, as, with a secretary sympathetic and knowing the Chinese and their language well, as Mr. Woodcock does, much friction in carrying out sanitary measures would be obviated.

Mr. A. Shelton Hooper.—This is a very important change and should be fully discussed.

SHIPPING COMPETITION.

YOKOHAMA-SHANGHAI SERVICE.

A telegram to the *Asahi*, which is translated by the *Japan Mail*, states that the competition on the Yokohama-Shanghai line appears to be at an end. The Nippon Yusen Kaisha, and Messrs. Butterfield and Swire have been working the line in concert, their only competitor being one steamer of the P. and O. Company. But the last named Company, at the close of 1908 diverted two of its large steamers to the route, and arranged a schedule of six sailings per month against the nine sailings which the Nippon Yusen Kaisha was making with six vessels. Since the beginning of the current year this competition has led a great cutting of rates, but the Osaka telegram alleges that the experience of the past two months has demonstrated to the P. and O. Company that the carrying trade on this line is not worth competition, and its steamers have now been withdrawn so that they are restored to their normal condition. The telegram adds that good cargoes of sugar and cotton yarns are now obtained.—*Kobe Herald.*

ALLEGED OPIUM SMUGGLING.

ANOTHER FIND.

Nearly eight kilos of opium were found in the baggage of a Chinese passenger by Inspector Julio Gomez of the baggage division this morning, reports the *Manila Times* of 26th March. At ten thirty, when the chief of the division and Inspector Kelsey were on board, the *Tan*, a Chinese came into the office and claimed a basket as his baggage which came in on the *Tanlong* last week. Upon being opened the basket was found to contain one blanket, two or three shirts, packages of cigarettes, four small tins of opium lying loose among the other articles, and the bottom of the basket being filled with a thin tin of the drug.

The Chiao gave the name of Tan Bao and was taken in charge by Chief Liu, of the customs secret service. It is not thought that the basket belonged to the Chinese who came for it this morning as it seems improbable he would expect to get the opium through the customs examination. Those who saw the way in which the opium was apparently thrown into the basket among the other articles without any attempt at concealment and of the opium that the owner sent this man to get the basket through the customs and did not tell him there

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Cill, M. S. C.

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and Mrs. Lee, Mr. and Mrs.
Leigh, Mr. and Mrs.

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Hancock, H.
Hansen, Mr.

Hunter, Dr. and Mrs.
 Martin, Mr.
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 Hockaday, W. T.
 Humphreys, W. M.
 Jeffries, H. N.

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 Buk, C. Van
 Casley, V. D.
 Casley, Mrs.
 Castello, Miss Hilda
 Consing, Mr. and Mrs.
 & R. H.
 Cuasie, Mr. and Mrs.
 and daughter
 Dante, Mr. and Mrs. F.
 Doussan, W.
 Eyre, Mr. and Mrs. H.
 Fagoo, H. J.
 Garry, W. V.
 Gai, V. A.
 Ginkal, Van
 Gomes, A. J. M.
 Grant, J.
 Hanpi, J.
 Harker, Mrs. K.
 Herrera, L. C.
 Irwin, James
 Jack, Mrs. A. M.
 John, Mr. and Mrs. St.

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 Tweedie, R. W., Lt. and
 Mrs.
 White, Mr. and Mrs.
 Williamsens, Mrs. and
 children

Kelly, W. H.
 Kerr, W. H.
 Klety, A.
 Kutar, Mr.
 Lawis, G. H.
 Lladock, L.
 Liel, Mr. and Mrs. J. K.
 Lyle, J. E.
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 Margarita, Mr. & Mrs.
 Milkoitz, J.
 Miller, T. I.
 Mobealed, I. N.
 Musso, V. F., Marquis
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 Scholta, W. O.
 Seina, S. D.
 Sheets, Mr. & Mrs. F.
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Barometer	30.71	30.07
Temperature	64	64
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CAPTAIN.	LAST REPORTED AT
G. T. K. Fuller	Hongkong
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Inaba Maru, Jap. s.s., 1837, R. Takeda, 29th

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1	300	Master S.

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H. L. P. Heard	Shanghai
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C. T. Borrett	Hongkong
Charles Thomas	Hongkong
Wland Nugent	Cruising in Pacific
Walter J. Kiddle	Hongkong
Walter Monroe	Hongkong
Wm. D.S.O.	on route Singapore
Wm. A. G. Heathcote	Hongkong
Wm. J. Marescaux	Hongkong
Wm. J. Bahr	Hongkong
Wm. J. J. S. Lyne	Yangtze
Wm. F. H. Walter	Yangtze
W. Smith	Hongkong
Wm. C. G. Walcott	Hongkong
Wm. R. S. Roy	Yangtze
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Wm. J. White	Hongkong
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Wm. Alas Dixon	Yangtze
Wm. Barlow	Hongkong
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SHARE QUOTATIONS.

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STOCKS.	NO. OF SHARES.	VALUE.	PAID UP.	POSITION AS PER LAST REPORT.	AT WORKING ACCOUNT.	LAST DIVIDEND.	APPROXIMATE DIVIDEND AT CLOSING QUOTATION. BASED ON LAST YEAR'S DIV.	CLOSING QUOTATIONS.
BANKS.								
Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation	120,000	\$125	\$125	\$1,500,000 \$14,500,000 \$15,000,000	\$2,000,334	Final of 1/2 and bonus of 1/2 for 1908 @ ex 1/8 = \$25.024	5 1/2 %	\$50 sellers London 265
National Bank of China, Limited	99,935	£7	£6	£4,000 £150,000	\$10,323	3d (London 3/6) for 1903	...	\$11
MARINE INSURANCES.								
Canton Insurance Office, Limited	10,000	\$250	\$50	\$1,500,000 \$324,737 \$411,900 £185,000	none	\$14 for 1907	7 1/2 %	\$18 1/2
North China Insurance Company, Limited	10,000	£15	£5	Tls. 150,000 Tls. 393,747 Tls. 115,477 \$500,000	Tls. 160,512	Final of 7/8 making 15/- for 1907	5 1/2 %	Tls. 100 sales
Union Insurance Society of Canton, Limited	12,400	\$250	\$100	\$502,178 £189,005 \$787,540	\$5,506,011	Final of 1/2 making \$45 for 1908 and interim of 3/4 for 1907	5 1/2 %	\$850 sales
FIRE INSURANCES.								
Yangtze Insurance Association, Limited	12,000	\$100	\$60	\$1,000,000 \$199,032 \$85,137	\$591,763	1st and bonus \$3 for 1908	7 1/2 %	\$225 buyers
China Fire Insurance Company, Limited	10,000	\$100	\$20	\$1,000,000 \$418,618 \$14,302	\$375,341	\$6 and bonus \$2 for 1907	7 1/2 %	\$100 sellers
Hongkong Fire Insurance Company, Limited	8,000	\$250	\$50	\$1,000,000 \$718,173	\$568,711	\$37 for 1907	8 1/2 %	\$315 buyers
SHIPPING.								
China and Manila Steamship Company, Limited	30,000	\$25	\$21	\$7,000	\$1,081	\$1 for 1908	...	...
Douglas Steamship Company, Limited	20,000	\$50	\$50	\$500,000 \$254,638 \$99,007	Nil.	\$2 1/2 for year ending 30.4.1908	7 1/2 %	\$8 sellers \$15 buyers
Hongkong, Canton & Macao Steamboat Co., Ltd.	80,000	\$15	\$11	\$507,500 \$279,421 \$21,344	\$20,379	Final of 1/2 making \$2 1/2 for 1908	8 1/2 %	\$19 1/2 sales
Indo-China Steam Navigation Co., Ltd. (Preferred) ..	60,000	£5	£5	£10,000 £20,000	£13,755	6/- for 1907 on Preference shares only @ ex 1/9 11/10 = 55.154	5 1/2 %	\$40 buyers \$20 buyers
Shanghai Tug and Lighter Company, Limited	200,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 75,000 Tls. 220,000 Tls. 44,100	Tls. 14,510	Final of Tls. 1 1/2 making Tls. 3 1/2 for 1908	7 1/2 %	Tls. 47 buyers Tls. 50 buyers
"Shell" Transport and Trading Company, Limited ..	1,000,000	£1	£1	£100,000 £15,000	£68,817	Second interim of 1/- for 1908	7 1/2 %	54 1/2 buyers
"Star" Ferry Company, Limited	10,000	\$10	\$5	\$47,311 Tls. 68,000 Tls. 481,470	\$98	\$1.00 for year ending 30.4.1908	4 1/2 %	\$23 1/2 \$15
Tiko Tug and Lighter Company, Limited	30,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 44,100 Tls. 8,000 Tls. 7,000	Tls. 2,215	Final of Tls. 1 1/2 making Tls. 2 1/2 for 1908	11 1/2 %	Tls. 45 sales
REFINERIES.								
China Sugar Refining Company, Limited	20,000	\$100	\$100	\$500,000 \$56,848	Dr. \$5,158	\$5 for year ending 31.12.08	3 1/2 %	\$17 1/2 buyers
Luzon Sugar Refining Company, Limited	7,000	\$100	\$100	none	Dr. \$135.8	1 1/2 for year ending 31.12.08	...	17 Tls. 125
Perak Sugar Cultivation Company, Limited	7,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 100,000	Tls. 9,173	...	...	...
MINING.								
Chinese Engineering and Mining Company, Ltd.	1,000,000	£1	£1	£175,000 £12,289	£11,556	Final of 1/5 (coupon No. 11) for year end- ing 29.2.08	7 1/2 %	Tls. 18 1/2 buyers
Ruby Australian Gold Mining Company, Limited ..	50,000	£1	£1	£4,873	Dr. £2,191	No. 12 of 1/- = 48 cents	...	\$8 1/2 sellers
DOCKS, WHARVES & GODOWNS.								
Fenwick (Geo.) & Co., Limited	18,000	\$25	\$25	\$459.6	Dr. \$7,421	\$1.75 for year ending 31.12.06	...	\$12
Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd. ...	60,000	\$50	\$50	\$300,000 \$26,806 \$40,000	\$10,102	Final of 1/2 making \$3 1/2 for 1907	...	\$49 sales
Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company, Ltd.	50,000	\$50	\$50	\$250,000 \$7,119	\$387,478	Final of \$4 making \$8 for 1908	10 1/2 %	\$80 sales
Shanghai Dock and Engineering Co., Ltd.	55,700	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	Tls. 1,000,000	Tls. 23,742	Interim of Tls. 3 1/2 for 6 months ending 31st October, 1908	5 1/2 %	Tls. 85 sales
Shanghai and Hongkong Wharf Company, Limited ...	15,000	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	Tls. 697,257 Tls. 50,000 Tls. 125,000	Tls. 21,818	Final of Tls. 6 making Tls. 10 for 1908	6 %	(ex div.) Tls. 165 sellers
LANDS, HOTELS & BUILDINGS.								
Anglo-French Land Investment Co., Ltd.	25,000	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	Tls. 25,000	Tls. 6,531	Tls. 5 for 1907	...	Tls. 102 sales
Astor House Hotel Company, Limited (Shanghai) ..	30,000	\$25	\$25	\$750,000	Dr. £1,220	\$2 1/2 for year ending 31.12.07	...	\$164 sales
Central Stores, Limited	50,125	\$15	\$15	\$751,875	21,411	\$1.20 on old and 60 cents on first new issue.	...	\$17 buyers
Hongkong Hotel Company, Limited	12,000	\$50	\$50	\$600,000 \$548,925	\$295	Final of 3/4 making \$6 for 1908	7 1/2 %	\$84 sellers
Hongkong Land Investment and Agency Co., Ltd. ...	50,000	\$100	\$100	\$500,000	26,475	Final of 5/8 making \$7 for 1908	7 1/2 %	\$100
Humphreys Estate & Finance Company, Limited ..	150,000	\$10	\$10	\$1,500,000 \$211,158	15.86	60 cents for 1908	7 1/2 %	\$38
Kowloon Land and Building Company, Limited	6,000	\$50	\$50	\$300,000 \$278	...	\$1 1/2 for 1908	5 1/2 %	\$30
Shanghai Land Investment Company, Limited	78,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 1,233,045 Tls. 314,000	Tls. 124,404	Final of Tls. 3 and bonus of Tls. 2 making Tls. 5 for 1908	7 1/2 %	Tls. 127 1/2 buyers
West Point Building Company, Limited	12,500	\$50	\$50	none	\$1,968	Final of \$2 making \$4 for 1908	9 1/2 %	44 sellers
COTTON MILLS.								
Kwo Cotton Spinning and Weaving Company, Ltd. ...	15,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 150,000	Tls. 8,820	Tls. 5 for year ending 31.12.1908	4 1/2 %	Tls. 125 buyers
Hongkong Cotton Spinning, Weaving and Dyeing Company, Limited	125,000	\$10	\$10	Tls. 45,930 \$50,000	\$9,553	\$1.20 for year ending 31.12.08	5 1/2 %	Tls. 9 sellers
International Cotton Manufacturing Company, Ltd. ...	10,000	Tls. 75	Tls. 75	Tls. 175,000	Tls. 8,372	Tls. 6 for year ending 30.9.08 (8 1/2 %)	...	Tls. 92
Leong-kong-mow Cotton Spinning & Weaving Co., Ltd.	8,000	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	none	Tls. 4,229	Tls. 4 for 1908	...	Tls. 105
Soy Chee Cotton Spinning Company, Limited	2,000	Tls. 500	Tls. 500	Tls. 31,173	Tls. 15,911	Tls. 10 for 1908	...	Tls. 360
MISCELLANEOUS.								
Bell's Asbestos Eastern Agency, Limited	8,604	12 1/2	12 1/2	\$1,500	£648	10 p. per share or 1907 = \$1.037	10 1/2 %	\$10 sales
China-Borneo Company, Limited	60,000	\$12	\$12	\$720,000	Nil.	\$1.20 or 1907 = \$1.037	9 1/2 %	\$12 1/2 buyers
China Light and Power Company, Limited	50,000	\$10	\$10	none	16,138	60 cents for year ending 31.12.06	...	\$5
China Provident Loan & Mortgage Company, Ltd. ...	125,000	\$10	\$10	\$1,250,000	\$3,407	80 cents for 1908	8 1/2 %	\$9 1/2 buyers
Dairy Farm Company, Limited	40,000	\$7 1/2	\$6	\$300,000 \$8,000	\$48	\$1.50 for year ending 31.7.08	5 1/2 %	\$14 1/2 buyers
Green Island Cement Company, Limited	400,000	\$10	\$10	\$4,000,000	\$5,078	Interim of 40 cents for account 1908	8 1/2 %	\$9.40 sellers
H. Price & Company, Limited	12,000	\$10	\$10	\$120,000	\$5,078	75 cents for 9 months ending 31.12.07	8 1/2 %	\$12
Hall & Holts, Limited	22,000	\$20	\$20	\$440,000	\$8,957	\$2 for year ending 28.2.08	10 1/2 %	\$23 1/2 sales
Hongkong Electric Company, Limited	60,000	\$10	\$10	none	\$9,321	\$1 and bonus 20 cts. for year ending 29.2.08	6 1/2 %	\$19 buyers
Hongkong Ice Company, Limited	5,000	\$25	\$25	\$125,000	\$7,626	Final of \$15 per share making \$19 for 1908	8 1/2 %	\$180 sellers
Hongkong Rope Manufacturing Company, Ltd.	60,000	\$10	\$10	\$600,000 \$10,000	\$8,500	Final of \$15 per share making \$2 for 1908	8 1/2 %	\$24
Meatschappij tot Mijn- en Bosch- en Landbouw- exploitatie in Langkat, Limited	25,000	Gs. 100	Gs. 100	Tls. 347,500 Tls. 63,144	Tls. 216,682	1st Quarterly div. of Tls. 12 1/2 for account 1909	6 1/2 %	Tls. 78 1/2 buyers
Peak Tramways Company, Limited	25,000	\$10	\$10	\$250,000	\$7,471	60 cents on fully paid shares and 6 cents on \$1 paid shares for year ending 30.4.08	6 1/2 %	\$14
Philippine Company, Limited	75,000	\$10	\$10	none	18,640	None	6 1/2 %	\$8
Shanghai Gas Company, Limited	24,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 120,000	Tls. 6,609	Final of Tls. 4 making Tls. 7 1/2 for 1907	6 1/2 %	Tls. 115 buyers
Shanghai-Sumatra Tobacco Company, Limited	30,000	Tls. 20	Tls. 20	Tls. 24,820 Tls. 75,000	Tls. 8,498	Final of Tls. 9 making in all Tls. 14 for 1907	11 1/2 %	Tls. 150 sales
Shanghai Waterworks Company, Limited	16,350	£20	£20	Tls. 190,000	Tls. 58,214	Final of 27/8 making 52/8 for 1907	...	Tls. 437 1/2 sales
South China Mailing Post, Limited	6,000	\$25	\$25	none	Dr. \$56,622	None	...	\$24
Steam Laundry Company, Limited	30,000	\$10	\$10	Tls. 15,295 Tls. 4,000	\$236	40 cents for year ending 31.12.08	7 1/2 %	\$5 1/2 sales
Tientsin Waterworks Company, Limited	2,000	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	Tls. 200,000	Tls. 101	Tls. 6 1/2 for year ending 30.4.08	...	Tls. 94 buyers
Union Waterboat Company, Limited	50,000	\$10	\$10	\$500,000	11,350	60 cents for year ending 31.12.08	5 1/2 %	\$10 sales
United Asbestos Oriental Agency, Limited	10,000	\$10	\$10	\$100,000	\$1,300	80 cents on 1/1000 rd. shares and \$19.50 on 100 Fount. rd. shares for yr. end. 31.12.07	6 1/2 %	12 1/2 buyers
Watson, (A. S.) & Co., Limited	90,000	\$10	\$10	\$900,000 \$25,000	\$6,438	Interim of 30 cents a/c 1908	6 1/2 %	\$9 buyers
William Powell, Limited	15,000	\$7	\$7	none	\$5.95	Final of 30 cts. making 80 cts. for the year ended 30th June, 1908	...	\$2 1/2 buyers
DIVIDENDS PAYABLE.								
Anglo-French Land Investment Co., Ltd.	Tls. 6	April and	...	...	...	...	...	...
Green Island Cement Company	50 cts.	" 3rd	...	...	...	...	...	...
China Borneo Company, Limited	\$1.20	" 5th	...	...	...	...	...	...
Yangtze Insurance Association, Limited	\$15	" 17th
Union Insurance Society	\$47	" 21st

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COMPRISING:—

Irish Linen Double Damask Table Cloths with Serviettes to match, Irish Linen Tray Cloths, Toilet Sets, Supper Cloths, Lady's and Gent's Irish Linen Hemstitched and Embroidered Handkerchiefs, Fine Turkish Towels, All Linen Towels, Bath Towels, Bath Sheets, Irish Tea and Glass Cloths, Fine (White and Cream) Lace Curtains, a fine assortment of Underskirts and Skirts, White Satin Quilts, Five o'clock Tea Cloths, Irish Hand Embroidered Bedspreads and Top Sheets, Silk Moultre Underskirts, Longcloth Nightdresses, Nainsook Camisoles, Chemises, All Linen Bed Ticks, Pyjama Suits, Tea Caddy, Cushion Covers, Linen Embroidered Pillow Cases, Pyrenees Jacket, Flannelette Nightdresses and Gowns, Sheets, Robes, &c., &c.

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A small quantity of English Tweeds, Serges, &c., in Suit Lengths.

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PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by

PUBLIC AUCTION,

FOR ACCOUNT OF THE CONCERNED,

To-morrow,

the 31st March, 1909, at 11 A.M., at their

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corner of Ice House Street,

SUNDRY HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE,

&c., &c.

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PUBLIC AUCTION.

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